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For:	METHOD AND APPARATUS)	Examiner: Not Yet Designated
	FOR POSITIONING A TOOL)	
	RELATIVE TO A WORKPIECE)	

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Commissioner For Patents
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The document DE 199 38 058 A1 is in the German language and has not been translated. It appears to show, in FIG. 5a, a machine having an arrangement for moving components relative to a fixed object 23. FIGS. 2a-2h appear to show an outer, hollow, cylindrical element 2 and an inner cylindrical element 5 which can revolve in the directions "A" around the interior of the outer cylindrical element 2. An inner element 13 is located in the cylindrical element 5 so that the element 13 is offset from the longitudinal central axis of the cylindrical element 5. FIGS. 2b and 2f show how the cylindrical element 5 can rotate about its central axis 7 in the directions "B" as the cylindrical element 5 revolves around the interior of the outer, hollow cylindrical element 2. FIG. 4a shows the components with the central axis 14 of the inner element 13 oriented at an oblique angle to the plane of the fixed object 23.

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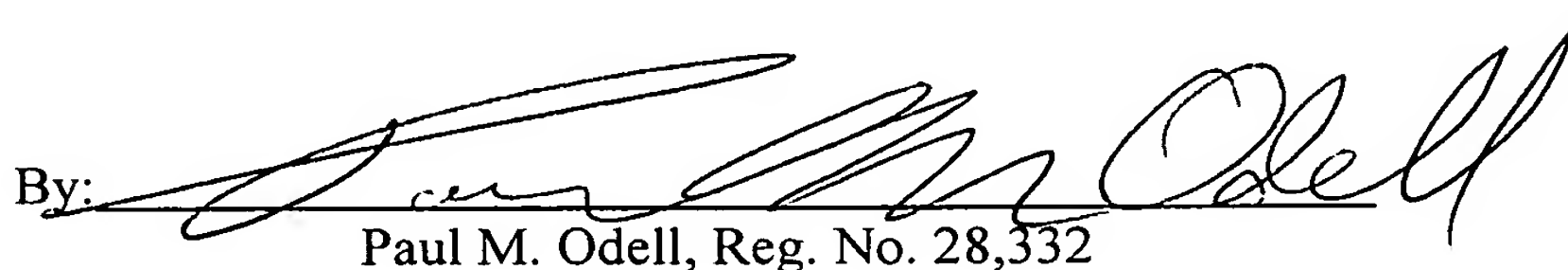
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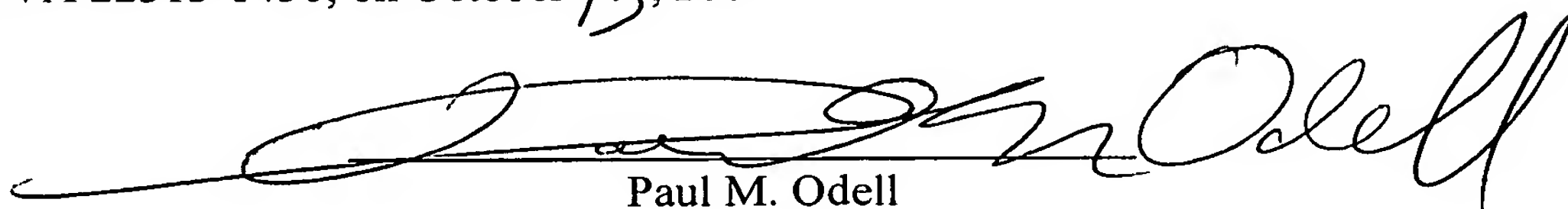


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